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THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE TO IMPROVE THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN CHILE. THEY SAID THAT PINOCHET IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS WILL SIGN

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A DECREE GRANTING ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS THE RIGHT TO APPEAL SENTENCES FROM MILITARY COURTS TO THE SUPREME COURT. HE WILL ALSO AUTHORIZE THE GPADUAL RELEASE OF MOST, IF NOT ALL, REMAINING POLITICAL PRISONERS, AND INSURE THAT NO ONE IS TORTURED AT THE HANDS OF THE MILITARY.

CIVILIAN COMMITTEE TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS

QUESTION TO PINOCHET.

ON JUANUARY

THAT THIS COMMITTEE HAD AGREED TO MAKE A PROPOSAL TO PINOCHET

ON 9 JANUARY CALLING FOR A BAN AND PUBLIC STATEMENT ON TORTURE.

PROMPT NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTED THIRD PARTIES IN CASES OF

ARREST, AND APPEAL FROM MILITARY TO CIVIL COURTS.

BEGINNING SOON THERE WILL BE A GRADUAL REDUCTION IN THE STATE OF SIEGE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. IN CERTAIN PROVINCES THE STATE OF SIEGE WILL BE REDUCED TO THE LOWEST GRADE, OF SIMPLE INTERNAL COMMOTION.

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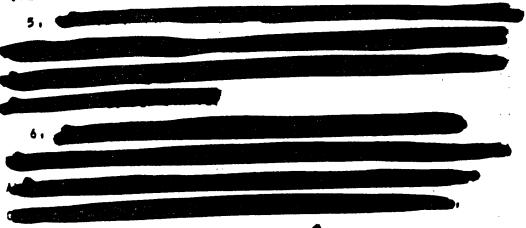
THIS GRADE PROVIDES THE MILITARY WITH LESS AUTHORITY TO TAKE

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EXTRA-LEGAL ACTIONS.

THE GRADE OF SIMPLE INTERNAL COMMOTION. IF THIS MEASURE PROVES SUCCESSFUL, ADDITIONAL STEPS HILL BE TAKEN TO RETURN THE COUNTRY TO FULL PEACE-TIME STATUS.

THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT DESIRES
TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES AND READILY
RECOGNIZES THAT CONCRETE MEASURES TAKEN IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS
FIELD WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THIS EFFORT.



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